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Re: Application of Noriaki SAITO, Ichishi AIZU, Nobuyuki NAKAJIMA, Masahiro FUJIWARA,  
Koji YANO  
METHOD OF PRODUCING NOVOLAK RESIN  
Assignee: SUMITOMO CHEMICAL COMPANY, LIMITED  
Our Ref. Q67528

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising 26 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract and . The executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment will be submitted at a later date.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	9	-	20	=		x	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
Independent claims	3	-	3	=		x	\$84.00	=	\$0.00
Base Fee									\$740.00
Multiple Dependent Claim Fee									\$280.00
<b>TOTAL FEE</b>									<b>\$1020.00</b>

A check for the statutory filing fee of \$1020.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Japan	2000-377258	December 12, 2000
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Japan	2001-153632	May 23, 2001

The priority documents are enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,  
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